

# **FISCAL NOTE**

## **HB 2175 - SB 2658**

February 8, 2000

**SUMMARY OF BILL:** Specifies that it is an offense for a person to drive away from an establishment at which gasoline or diesel fuel is sold and was dispensed by such person without making due payment. Provides that a person committing this offense is subject to a fine of not less than \$100 nor more than \$200 and a 6 month suspension of their driver's license for the first offense, and a fine of not less than \$200 nor more than \$300 and a one year suspension of their driver's license for the second offense. Authorizes the court to issue a restricted driver's license to allow operation of a motor vehicle for going to and from work or school. Provides for the payment of a reinstatement fee to the Department of Safety after the suspension period ends.

### **ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:**

**Increase State Expenditures - \$80,000 One-Time**  
**Increase State Revenues - Not Significant**

**Decrease Local Govt. Expenditures - Not Significant**  
**Decrease Local Govt. Revenues - Not Significant**

Assumes:

- the state will experience one-time increased expenditures for changes to 16 computer programs in the Department of Safety.
- the state will experience increased revenues from the \$67 restricted driver's license application fee and the \$65 reinstatement fee for each suspension. This increase depends on the number of suspensions but is estimated to be not significant.
- offense is currently considered a Class A misdemeanor subject to a fine not to exceed \$2,500 and possible incarceration.
- impact on local governments depends on the number of persons convicted of this offense and the resulting decrease in expenditures from eliminating the incarceration portion of the penalty and the resulting decrease in fines collected from reducing the maximum amount. These decreases are estimated to be not significant.

### **CERTIFICATION:**

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.



James A. Davenport, Executive Director

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